



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Response

Applicant(s): Donald R. Mullen, et al.

Title: A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING AN
INTEGRATED CIRCUIT COVER

App. No.: 09/944,545

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Examiner: Costanzo, Patricia M.

Group Art Unit: 2811

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Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action of 12/24/2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Drawings:

Please replace Fig. 27 with the substitute Fig. 27 submitted herewith.

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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Examiner states that claims 1-41 are pending in the present application. The Examiner states that claims 7-13, 20, 21, 25, 27, 34, and 35 are withdrawn from consideration. The Examiner states that claims 1-6, 15-19, 22-24, 26, 28-32, and 36-41 are rejected. The Examiner states that claims 14 and 33 are objected to. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of pending claims 1-41.

The Examiner states that the proposed drawing correction and/or proposed substitute sheets of drawings, filed on October 23, 2002, have been approved. The Examiner further states that a proper drawing correction or corrected drawings are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. Applicant submits herewith a corrected drawing of Fig. 27.